

Remarks

This is responsive to the first Office Action mailed March 23, 2004, which subjected the claims to an election of species requirement. The Applicant has hereinabove provided a minor amendment to the claims to remove two lines of redundant text from claim 15. This text was inadvertently included with the claim.

Election of Species Requirement

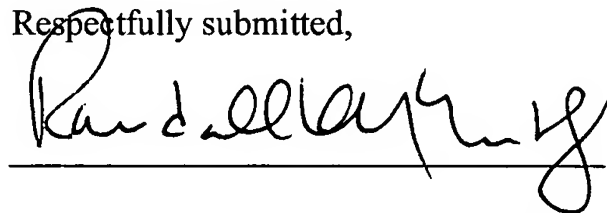
The first Office Action subjected the application to an election of species requirement as follows: Species A, drawn to FIG. 3; and Species B, drawn to FIG. 6.

In response, the Applicant hereby provisionally elects without traverse Species A, with claims 1-2, 4-13, and 15-20 readable thereon. The Applicant further notes that non-elected claims 3 and 14 will be entitled for consideration upon allowance of the respective generic independent claims 1 and 11. 37 CFR 1.141.

The Examiner is invited to contact the Attorneys listed below should any questions arise concerning this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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